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FOREIGN AND INSULAR.

CANADA.

Ontario—Communicable Diseases in December, 1910-11.

The following statement of communicable diseases in the Province of Ontario for the month of December, 1911, as compared with December, 1910, was issued by the Ontario provincial board of health:

Diseases.	1910		1911	
	Cases.	Deaths.	Cases.	Deaths.
Infantile paralysis.....	14	2
Cerebrospinal meningitis.....	10	8	2	2
Smallpox.....	33	41
Scarlet fever.....	494	15	264	19
Diphtheria.....	263	36	355	31
Measles.....	339	7	112	2
Whooping cough.....	28	6	5	1
Typhoid fever.....	134	30	197	21
Tuberculosis.....	113	77	113	68
Total.....	1,428	181	1,089	144

The decrease noted in December, 1911, is stated to be due to the large diminution in diseases among children.

The population of the Province is approximately 2,500,000.

CHINA.

Hongkong—Plague.

Surg. Brown reports the occurrence of 1 case of plague with 1 death during the week ended December 16, 1911.

HAWAII.

Record of Plague Infection.

The last case of human plague at Honolulu occurred July 12, 1910.

The last plague-infected rat was found at Aiea, 9 miles from Honolulu, April 12, 1910.

A case of human plague was reported at Kapulena, Hawaii, October 28, 1911.

At Hilo the last case of human plague occurred March 23, 1910. At Honokaa, 60 miles from Hilo, a fatal case occurred April 20, 1911.

The last plague-infected rat was found at Honokaa December 18, 1911. A plague-infected rat was found at Hilo during the week ended June 10, 1911.